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15. LE QUANG TRUONG: MINISTER OF FINANCE. TRUONG IS 52 AND WAS BORN IN MY THO. HE HAS BA IN LAW AND GRADUATED FROM NATIONAL SCHOOL OF TAXATION IN PARIS IN 1953. HE HAS HELD NUMBER OF IMPORTANT POSITIONS IN FIELD OF FINANCE. HE WAS SECY GEN OF FINANCE (1965-69 AND DIRECTOR OF GENERAL OF TREASURY (1972-74). HE HAS HELD POST OF MINISTER OF FINANCE SINCE DECEMBER 1974.

16. NGUYEN VAN DIEP: MINISTER OF TRADE AND SUPPLY. DIEP IS 42 AND WAS BORN IN LONG AN. HE HOLDS BA IN LAW AND MA IN ECONOMICS. HE ALSO SERVED AS MINISTER FOR TRADE AND SUPPLY SINCE DEC 1974. DIEP HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN FIELD OF BANKING AND HAS HELD NUMBER IMPORTANT POSTS IN RECENT YEARS.

17. NGUEYN TIEN HUNG: MINISTER OF PLANNING. HUNG IS 39 AND WAS BORN IN THANH HOA, NORTH VIETNAM. HE RECEIVED PHD IN ECONOMICS IN 1965 AND TAUGHT ECONOMICS AT HOWARD UNIV IN WASHDC HUNG RETURNED TO VIETNAM IN 1973 AND SERVED AS SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PRES FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT. HE HAS SERVED AS MINISTER OF
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PLANNING SINCE DEC 1974.

18. NGUYEN XUAN DUC: MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNICATION. DUC IS 41 AND WAS BORN IN SA DEC. HE EARNED A DEGREE IN STRUCTURAL

ENGINEERING IN PARIS AND SERVED AS CHIEF OF DIRECTORATE OF PLANS (1966-69). HE ALSO SERVED AS ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNICATION SINCE AUG 1974.

19. HUYNH DUC BUU: MINISTER OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. BUU IS 52 AND WAS BORN IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. HE EARNED BA IN LAW FROM HANOI UNIV IN 1952. BUU HAS HELD NUMBER IMPORTANT POSITIONS IN SAIGON COURT SYSTEM AND SERVED AS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLITICAL DIRECTORATE OF MINISTRY OF INTERIOR (1955-56) AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE (1967-68). BUU IS MEMBER OF "THE WORLD PEACE THROUGH LAW CENTER" AND HAS ATTENDED MANY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (1968-72). HE IS ALSO A PROLIFIC WRITER IN HIS FIELD. BUU IS ALSO CHRM OF PAX ROMANA.

20. PHAN HOA HIEP: MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND OPEN ARMS. HIEP IS 48 AND WAS BORN IN QUANG TRI. A GRADUATE OF HUE MILITARY ACADEMY WHERE HE SPECIALIZED IN ARMOR, HIEP ALSO ATTENDED VUNG TAU ARMOR SCHOOL IN 1951. HE SUCCESSIVELY COMMANDED ARMOR UNITS AT BATTALLION AND REGIMENTAL LEVEL AND COMMANDED THE 2ND INFANTRY DIVISION BEFORE RETURNING TO STUDY AT NATIONAL DEFENSE COLLEGE. IN 1973, HIEP WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY CHIEF OF RVN DELEGATION TO FPJMC AND LATER CHIEF OF TPJMC.

21. TON THAT NIEM: MINISTER

HEALTH. DR NIEM IS 47 AND WAS BORN IN HUE. A MEDICAL DOCTOR, NIEM WAS ELECTED TO SENATE FOR 1973-79 TERM ON LOTUS/ANQUANG SLATE. HE WAS FOUNDER OF NATIONAL VIETNAMESE STUDENT ASSOCIATION AND HAS PARTICIPATED IN MANY CULTURAL, SOCIAL AND HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS BOTH IN VIETNAM AND ABROAD. DR NIEM HAS ALSO SERVED AS CHIEF PHYSICIAN AT DALAT MILITARY ACADEMY AND DIRECTOR OF TWO HOSPITALS IN RVN.

22. VU CONG: MINISTER OF LABOR. CONG IS 32 AND WAS BORN IN NINH BINH, NORTH VIETNAM. WITH MA'S IN SOCIOLOGY AND ADMINISTRATION, CONG HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN CATHOLIC STUDENT AFFAIRS ELECTED TO LOWER HOUSE FROM LONG KHANH IN 1971, CONG SERVED AS CHRM OF HOUSE PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE AND VICE CHRM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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OF FEDERATION OF AAIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS. PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT, CONG HELD CHAIRMANSHIP OF LOWER HOUSE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE.

23. TRAN VAN MAI: MINISTER OF SOCIAL WELFARE. MAI IS 52 AND WAS BORN IN BEN TRE. A DOCTOR OF LETTERS, HE TAUGHT AT SAIGON'S FACULTY OF LETTERS PRIOR TO HIS APPOINTMENT. BESIDES BEING VERY ACTIVE IN SAIGON'S EDUCATIONAL CIRCLES MAI HAS DONE CONSIDERABLE RESEARCH IN EASTERN CULTURE AND SPEAKS, KOREAN, FRENCH AND JAPANESE.

24. NAY LUETT: MINISTER OF ETHNIC DEVELOPMENT. NAY LUETT IS 40 AND WAS BORN IN PHU BON PROVINCE. HE IS GRADUATE OF NATIONAL

INSITUUE OF ADMINISTRATION. HE HAS SERVED IN MILITARY AND SERVED AS SPECIALIST IN DIRECTORATE OF MONTAGNARD AFFAIRS. HE HAS HELD POST OF MINISTER OF ETHNIC DEVELOPMENT SINCE JUNE 1971.

25. PHAM ANH: MINISTER IN CHARGE OF RELATIONS WITH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. ANH IS 46 AND WAS BORN IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE. HE SERVED AS COLONEL IN ARMED FORCES AND PROVINCE CHIEF IN PHU YEN AND LONG AN PROVINCES. HE ALSO SERVED AS VICE MINISTER OF CHIEU HOA AND CHRM OF LOWER HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. ANH WAS ELECTED TO LOWER HOUSE IN 1971 AND SERVED AS SECY GEN TO THAT BODY PRIOR TO NEW APPOINTMENT.

26. NGUYEN LONG CHAU: MINISTER AT PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE. CHAU IS 49 AND BORN IN BEN TRE. HE IS GRADUATE OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADMINISTRATION AND PRIOR TONEW APPOINTMENT SERVED CONSECUTIVELY AS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF TAXATION AND SECY GEN OF MINISTRY OF CULTURE, EDUCATION AND YOUTH.

27. LE QUAN GIANG: DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. GIANG IS 43 AND WAS BORN IN CHOLON. HE STUDIED POLITICAL SCIENCE IN PARIS AND EARNED MA IN 1958. HE HAS BEEN A FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER SINCE 1961 AND SERVED IN PHILIPPINES, JAPAN, SINGAPORE AND FRANCE. HE HAS ALSO SERVED AS CONSUL GENERAL IN SINGAPORE AND PRIOR TO NEW APPOINTMENT WAS ASSISTANT TO FOREIGN MINISTER FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS.

28. NGUYEN THANH LIEM: DEPUTY MINISTER OF EDUCATION. LIEM IS 41 AND WAS BORN IN MY THO. A GRADUATE OF SAIGON UNIV'S FACULTY OF PEDAGOGY, LIDM QAF FORMERLY TEACHER AT PETRUS-KY HIGH SCHOOL IN SAIGON AND SPECIAL ASSISTANT AT MINISTRY OF CULTURE, EDUCATION
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AND YOUTH PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT.

29. DOAN MINH QUAN: DEPUTY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE. QUAN IS 43 AND BORN IN CAN THO. HE IS AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER, TRAINED IN FRANCE. HE FORMERLY SERVED AS DEPULY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

30. NGUYEN HUU TAN: DEPUTY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY. TAN IS ZK# AND WAS XGCN IN LONG AN PROVINCE. AN INDUSTRIALENGINEER, TAN HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT AND LEADER IN HIS PROFESSIONAL FIELD. HE HAS HELD A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT POSITIONS AND HELD POST OF DEPUTY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY SINCE DEC 1974.

31. MOANGINGOC THAN: DEPUTYMINISTER OF GELISF.SZHAN IS CY#AND WAS BORNIN HUE. A PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEER, THAN HAS HELD NUMEROUS GOVT POSITIONS IN FIELD OF AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS DEVELOPMENT. PRIOR TO NEW APPOINTMENT, HE WAS ASSISTANT TO DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER FOR SOCIAL WELFARE.

32. NGUYEN VAN CHUC: DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RESETTLEMENT; CHUC IS 47 AND WAS BORN IN SA DEC. HE VOLUNTEERED FOR MILITARY SERVICE

IN 1948 AND GRADUATED FROM NATIONAL DEFENSE COLLEGE WHERE HE
MAJORED IN DEFENSE MANAGEMENT. HE HELD RANK OF BRIGADIER GENERAL
AND HAS HELD COMMAND POSTS IN CORPS OF ARMY ENGINEERS AND SERVED
AS PROVINCE CHIEF OF BINH DINH AND CONCURRENTLY MAYOR OF QUI NHON.
PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT, CHUC WAS COMMANDANT OF JVN ENGINEER CORPS.
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